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1. IN YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CONCERNING TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS WITH USG, YOU MAY FIND IT USEFUL TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING LATEST FIGURES ON UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE US TEXTILE INDUSTRY AS RELEASED BY LABOR ON FEBRUARY 7:

----- JAN 1975 JAN 1974 JAN 1973

A. NATIONAL UN-

EMPLOYMENT 8.2 PERCENT 5.2 PERCENT 5.0 PERCENT

B. ALL MAN-

UFACTURING 10.5 5.1 5.0

C. TEXTILES AND

APPAREL 18.4 8.7 7.1

D. TEXTILES 19.4 6.1 5.6

E. APPAREL 17.6 10.5 8.2

- 2. PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF NUMBER OF JOBS LOST IN TEXTILE AND APPAREL SECTORS SINCE JANUARY 1974 IS 336,000.
- 3. CURRENT ESTIMATED TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT IN US 7.5 MILLION, WHICH IS ALMOST 3 MILLION MORE THAN JAN 1974. INGERSOLL

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